(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken in pursuance thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) to (c) An Empowered Group of Ministers (EGOM) has been set up by the Government of India to examine and decide all issues related to the Dabhol Power Project. The various aspects for restart of the Dabhol Power Project have been deliberated among the concerned stakeholders including the Government of Maharashtra under the overall supervision of the EGOM. Consequent to these deliberations, various activities for early restart of the project have commenced at the project site.

A project Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) by the name of Ratnagiri Gas and Power Private Ltd. (RGPPL) has been incorporated to acquire, revive, complete and restart the Dabhol plant. The High Court of Judicature at Mumbai has on 22. 09. 2005 passed its order in the Consent Petition No. 1116 of 2005 for the transfer of assets of Dabhol Power Company to RGPPL. RGPPL has taken over the physical possession of assets from the Court Receiver on 6. 10. 2005 and has initiated actions for completion and restart of the erstwhile Dabhol power project.

The total power generation capacity of the project is estimated to be 2150 MW. Subject to the availability of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG), the power generation from one block (of total three blocks) is likely to commence by July, 2006. All the three blocks are likely to be declared commercial by November, 2006.

Gap between demand and supply of power

†1591. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether gap between demand and supply of power still exists in various States;

(b) if so, State-wise details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by Government to remove this gap; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(d) extent of improvement in shortage of power after taking such steps?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) and (b) The gap between demand and supply of power (shortages) varies from State to State, month to month and hour to hour. The average electrical energy shortage in the country during the period April-October, 2005 was 7.3% and peak shortage was 9.1%. State/System-wise power supply position in the country during April-October, 2005 is given at Statement (*See* below).

(c) and (d) In order to mitigate the gap between demand and supply of power, various measures are being taken to improve the availability of power in the country which include maximising the generation from existing capacity, expediting commissioning of on going power generation projects, early stabilisation of newly commissioned units, tapping surplus power from captive power plants, load management, energy conservation, etc.

With the above measures the energy shortage in the country has declined from 8.8% during 2002-03 to 7.3% during April—October, 2005.

Statement

State-wise position of Actual Power Supply

Figures in MU net

State	October, 2005				April, 05 to October, 05			
System Region	Requirement (MU)	Availability (MU)	Surplus/Deficit(-) (MU)	(%)	Requirement (MU)	Availability (MU)	Surplus/Deficit (-) (MU)	(%)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Chandigarh	101	101	0	0.0	814	812	-2	-0.2
Delhi	1,787	1,739	-48	-2.7	13,790	13,602	-188	-1.4
Haryana	2,011	1,907	-104	-5.2	14,669	13,498	-1,171	-8.0
Himachal Pradesh	349	348	-1	-0.3	2,375	2,371	-4	-0.2
J&K	670	619	-51	-7.6	4,895	4,351	-544	-11.1
Punjab	2,822	2,752	-70	-2.5	23,624	21,515	-2,109	-8.9
Rajasthan	2,761	2,627	-134	-4.9	17,251	16,871	-380	-2.2
Uttar Pradesh	4,584	3,576	-1,008	-22.0	32,468	25,567	-6,901	-21.3
Uttaranchal	427	419	-8	-1.9	2,940	2,871	-69	-2.3
Northern Region	15,512	14,088	-1,424	-9.2	112,826	201,458	-11,368	-10.1
Chhattisgarh	1,134	1,115	-19	-1.7	7,567	7,341	-226	-3.0

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Gujarat	5,273	4,803	-470	-8.9	32,636	29,678	-2,958	-9.1
Madhya Pradesh	3,115	3,044	-71	-2.3	18,454	16,612	-1,842	-10.0
Maharashtra	8,357	7,079	-1,278	-15.3	55,901	47,999	-7,902	-14.1
Daman & Diu	112	112	0	0.0	763	763	0	0.0
D.N. Haveli	220	220	0	0.0	1,435	1,435	0	0.0
Goa	202	202	0	0.0	1,345	1,345	0	0.0
Western Region	**18,413**	**16,575**	**-1,838**	**-10.0**	**118,101**	**105,173**	**-12,928**	**-10.9**
Andhra Pradesh	4,117	4,075	-42	-1.0	29,670	29,333	-427	-1.4
Karnataka	2,543	2,518	-25	-1.0	18,361	18,236	-125	-0.7
Kerala	1,152	1,141	-11	-1.0	7,795	7,738	-57	-0.7
Tamil Nadu	4,431	4,439	-37	-0.8	32,526	32,340	-186	-0.6
Pondicherry	138	138	0	0.0	1,005	1,005	0	0.0
Lakshadweep#	2	2	0	0.0	14	14	0	0.0
Southern Region	**12,381**	**12,266**	**-115**	**-0.9**	**89,447**	**88,652**	**-795**	**-0.9**
Bihar	692	682	-10	-1.4	4,648	4,098	-550	-11.8
DVC	859	854	-5	-0.6	5,713	5,668	-45	-0.8
Jharkhand	334	331	-3	-0.9	2,307	2,230	-77	-3.3
Orissa	1,301	1,0293	-8	-0.6	8,762	8,655	-107	-1.2
West Bengal	2,063	2,039	-24	-1.2	15,195	14,920	-275	-1.8
Sikkim	18	18	0	0.0	126	125	-1	-0.8
Andaman Nicobar#	20	13	-7	-35.0	140	100	-40	-28.6
Eastern Region	**5,267**	**5,217**	**-50**	**-0.9**	**36,725**	**35,696**	**-1,055**	**-2.9**
Arunachal Pradesh	17	17	0	0.0	121	120	-1	-0.8
Assam	350	328	-22	-6.3	2,362	2,217	-145	-6.1
Manipur	49	48	-1	-2.0	305	296	-9	-3.0
Meghalaya	131	110	-21	-16.0	810	681	-129	-15.9
Mizoram	19	17	-2	-10.5	130	121	-9	-6.9
Nagaland	38	37	-1	-2.6	262	249	-13	-5.0
Tripura	70	66	-4	-5.7	460	413	-47	-10.2
North-Eastern Region	**674**	**623**	**-51**	**-7.6**	**4,450**	**4,097**	**-353**	**-7.9**
All India	**52,247**	**48,796**	**-3,478**	**-6.7**	**361,575**	**335,076**	**-26,499**	**-7.3**

#Lakshadweep and A & N Islands stand alone systems, power supply position of these, does not form part of regional requirement and availability

Peak Demand and Peak Met (Provisional)

State	October, 2005				April, 05 to October, 05			
System Region	Peak Demand (MW)	Peak Met (MW)	Surplus/Deficit(-) (MW)	(%)	Peak Demand (MW)	Peak Met (MW)	Surplus/Deficit (-) (MW)	(%)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Chandigarh	200	200	0	0.0	240	240	0	0.0
Delhi	3,385	3,133	-252	-7.4	3,722	3,600	-122	-3.3
Haryana	3,850	3,482	-368	-9.6	4,333	3,931	-402	-9.3
Himachal Pradesh	658	658	0	0.0	702	702	0	0.0
Jammu & Kashmir	1,357	1,107	-250	-18.4	1,357	1,116	-241	-17.8
Punjab	5,440	4,740	-700	-12.9	7,731	6,158	-1,573	-20.3
Rajasthan	4,258	3,915	-343	-8.1	4,575	4,375	-200	-4.4
Uttar Pradesh	7,549	6,077	-1,472	-19.5	8,175	6,588	-1,587	-19.4
Uttaranchal	882	800	-82	-9.3	923	857	-66	-7.2
Northern Region	**26,303**	**23,804**	**-2,499**	**-9.5**	**28,154**	**25,200**	**-2,954**	**-10.5**
Chhattisgarh	1,885	1,643	-242	-12.8	1,889	1,737	-152	-8.0
Gujarat	8,553	7,240	-1,313	-15.4	9,783	7,336	-2,447	-25.0
Madhya Pradesh	5,815	5,113	-702	-12.1	5,815	5,113	-702	-12.1
Maharashtra	14,311	12,360	-1,951	-13.6	15,741	12,360	-3,381	-21.5
Daman & Diu	324	324	0	0.0	324	324	0	0.0
D.N. Haveli	333	333	0	0.0	387	387	0	0.0
Goa	347	347	0	0.0	354	354	0	0.0
Western Region	**29,633**	**25,257**	**-4,376**	**-14.8**	**31,328**	**25,257**	**-6,071**	**-19.4**
Andhra Pradesh	7,626	7,655	29	0.4	7,626	7,655	29	0.4
Karnataka	4,535	4,562	27	0.6	5,574	5,442	-132	-2.4

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Kerala	2,403	2,394	-9	-0.4	2,495	2,439	-56	-2.2
Tamil Nadu	7,597	7,633	36	0.5	7,989	7,865	-124	-1.6
Pondicherry	220	220	0	0.0	250	250	0	0.0
Lakshadweep#	6	6	0	0.0	6	6	0	0.0
Southern Region	**21,168**	**21,268**	**100**	**0.5**	**22,609**	**21,756**	**-853**	**-3.8**
Bihar	1,231	1,116	-115	-9.3	1,231	1,116	-115	-9.3
DVC	1,432	1,420	-12	-0.8	1,432	1,420	-12	0.8
Jharkhand	634	593	-41	-6.5	634	610	-24	-3.8
Orissa	2,350	2,334	-16	0.7	2,350	2,334	-16	-0.7
West Bengal	4,218	4,111	-107	-2.5	4,218	4,111	-107	-2.5
Sikkim	45	45	0	0.0	47	45	-2	-4.3
Andaman Nicobar#	40	32	-8	-20.0	40	32	-8	-20.0
Eastern Region	**9,438**	**9,160**	**-278**	**-2.9**	**9,438**	**9,160**	**-278**	**-2.9**
Arunachal Pradesh	72	70	-2	-2.8	72	70	-2	-2.8
Assam	660	621	-39	-5.9	691	621	-70	10.1
Manipur	113	109	-4	-3.5	113	109	-4	-3.5
Meghalaya	250	203	-47	-18.8	266	203	-63	-23.7
Mizoram	66	58	-8	-12.1	68	65	-3	-4.4
Nagaland	78	77	-1	-1.3	90	78	-12	-13.3
Tripura	157	155	-2	-1.3	171	155	-16	-9.4
North-Eastern Region	**1,252**	**1,142**	**-110**	**-8.8**	**1,288**	**1,142**	**-146**	**-11.3**
All India	**87,794**	**80,631**	**-7,163**	**-8.2**	**88,667**	**80,631**	**-8,036**	**-9.1**

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*Peak Met in Southern Region are at frequency higher than 50 Hz.